

# **National Society of Consulting Soil Scientists**

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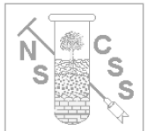


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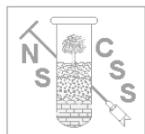
- *“Must utilize standards set forth by the National Cooperative Soil Survey (NCSS) in the conduct of field soil science consulting activities ...”*

**NSCSS bylaws**



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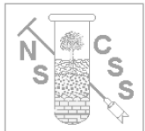
- **Distribution of NCSS Technical Updates**
- **Sharing and formulation of standards and methods**
- **Exchange of information, new ideas, and practical solutions.**



# Cooperating Soil Scientists

**Should be informed directly of:**

- **Work planning conferences**
- **Training opportunities**
- **Updates posted on Web  
(Field Indicators, NSSH)**
- **NCSS newsletter**



# Web Soil Survey

The simple yet powerful way to access and use soil data.



## Welcome to Web Soil Survey (WSS)



Web Soil Survey (WSS) provides soil data and information produced by the National Cooperative Soil Survey. It is operated by the USDA Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS) and provides access to the largest natural resource information system in the world. NRCS has soil maps and data available online for more than 95 percent of the nation's counties and anticipates having 100 percent in the near future. The site is updated and maintained online as the single authoritative source of soil survey information.

### Three Basic Steps

- 1** Define.

**Area of Interest (AOI)**

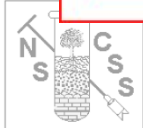
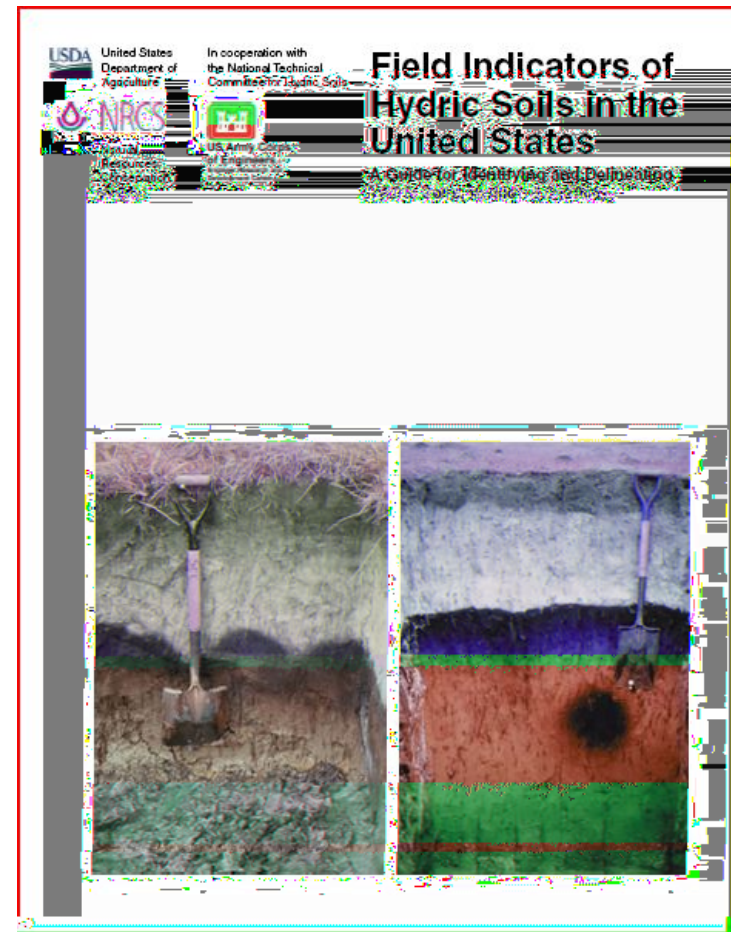


[Use the Area of Interest tab](#) to define your area of interest.



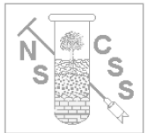
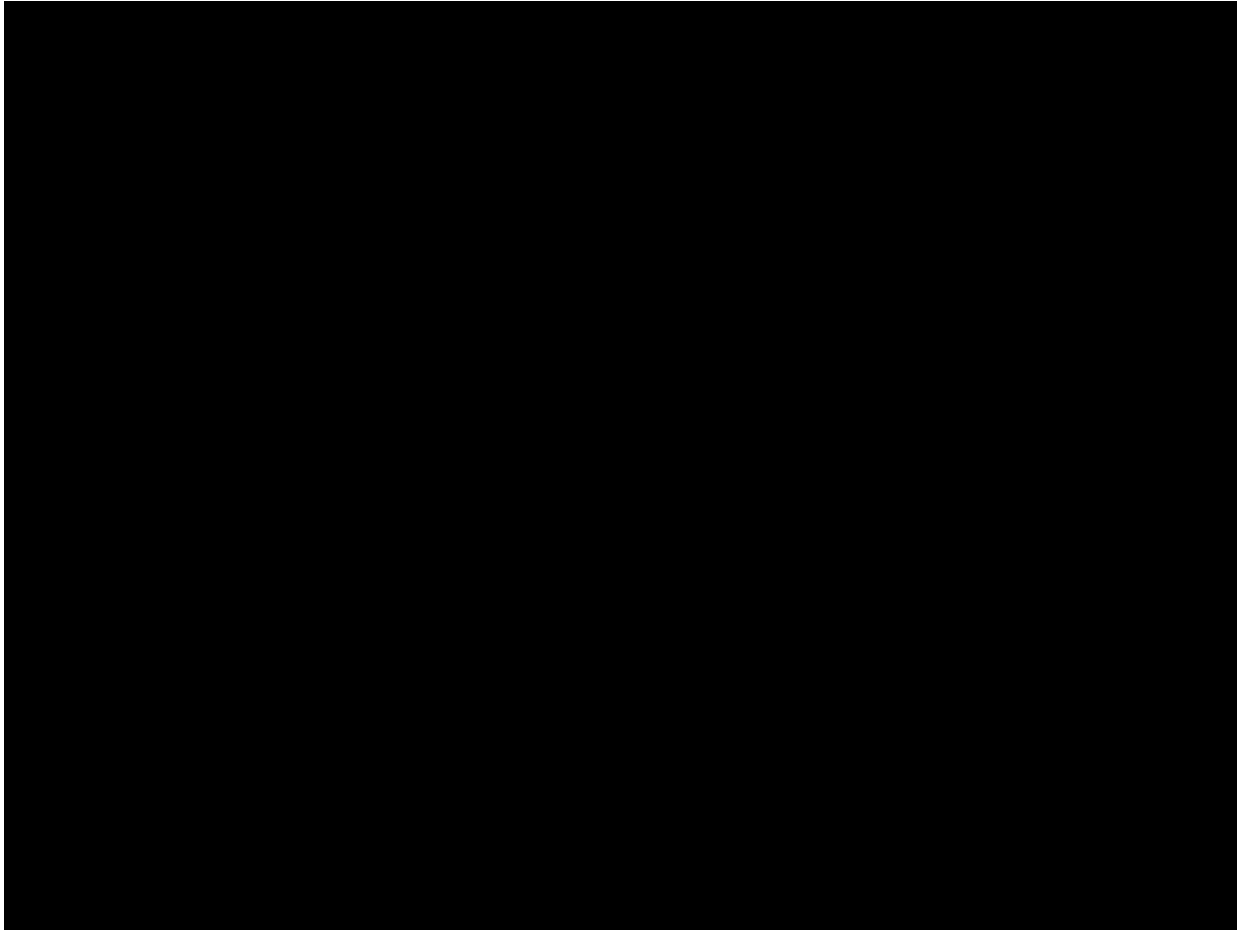
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# Field Indicators



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# New Horizons



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